FUNGAL SYMPOSIUM

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Scope of the symposium

·Epidemiology and diagnosis of fungal pathogens
·Antifungal resistance and the development of new antifungal strategies/therapeutics
·Host-pathogen interaction
·Biology and virulence of fungal pathogens
·Mycobiome and human health

Talks Titles

Structure of fungal cell wall immune epitopes and the origins of immunity Neil A.R. Gow, University of Exeter, United Kingdom

Role of candidalysin in pathogenicity
Julian Naglik, King's College London, United Kingdom

Genome-wide search for drug resistance mechanisms in Candida Yue Wang, A*STAR Infectious Diseases Labs, Singapore

Fungal eye infection
Lakshminarayanan Rajamani, Singapore Eye Research Institute, Singapore

Fungal skin infection
Thomas Dawson, A*STAR Skin Research Labs, Singapore

Molecular epidemiology of Candida pathogens
Clement Tsui, National Centre for Infectious Diseases, Singapore

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Metabolic drivers of host-pathogen interactions in fungal infections

Ana Traven, Monash University, Australia

Genetic mutations underpin host-induced morphological transitions in Candida auris
Guanghua Huang, Fudan University, China

Novel fluorescent probes illuminate the pathway of host heme capture and transport

Daniel Kornitzer, Technion, Israel

Systematic functional analysis of essential transcription factors in the global fungal meningitis pathogen Cryptococcus neoformans

Yong-sun Bahn, Yonsei University, Korea

Fungal Drug Response and Phenotypic resistance
Linqi Wang, Institute of Microbiology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China

Lipid Signaling in Fungal Pathogenesis
Naweed Nagvi, Temasek Life Sciences Laboratories, Singapore

New insights into C. albicans' transport and sensing mechanisms of bacterial peptidoglycan fragments

Yuan Qiao, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Novel Host Factors for Fungal Infection in Humans Louis Chai, National University Hospital, Singapore

Fungal Keratitis: Current Clinical Management and Unmet Needs
Darren Ting, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

Antifungal stewardship

Andrea Kwa, Singapore General Hospital, Singapore

Medically important fungal pathogens in Singapore Tan Yen Eee, Singapore General Hospital, Singapore